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ALSO, VITAL STATISTICS FOR YEAR ENDING
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TOWN OFFICERS

Selectmen

HARRY W. BROWN
J. PRENTISS WESTON
JAMES J. GRISWOLD

Town Clerk

CHARLES H. SMITH

Town Treasurer

ARTHUR F. BELL

Road Agent

GEORGE M. HOLMES

Overseer of Poor

HENRY W. WILSON

Tax Collector

MAURICE C. NEWTON

Moderator

GEORGE E. EDWARDS

Supervisors

HENRY W. WILSON
CYRUS H. PHILBRICK
CHARLES M. TAYLOR

Auditors

PHILIP KNOWLES
LAWRENCE J. PARKER

Ballot Inspectors

HARRY S. DUNBAR
FRANK J. NEWTON
LEON MESSER
WILLIAM HARRINGTON

Library Trustees

FRANK G. TRAXLER
ALLAN GERRARD
HENRY W. WILSON

Constable

W. J. ST. PIERRE

Health Officer

HENRY W. WILSON

Trustees of Trust Funds

ARTHUR J. PIERCE
FRANK G. TRAXLER
ALLAN GERRARD

Sealer of Weights and Measures

FRED A. KNIGHT

Sexton

FRANK A. TAYLOR

Janitor of Town Hall

PATRICK J. SHEA

Forest Fire Warden

HENRY W. WILSON

Fire Wards

HENRY W. WILSON
LEON MESSER

Surveyors of Wood and Lumber

ROBERT KNOWLES
HERBERT A. CURTIS
FRED C. STARRETT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

**To the Inhabitants of the Town of Bennington in the
County of Hillsborough in said State, qualified
to vote in Town Affairs:**

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Bennington on Tuesday the Eighth day of March next, at Ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year, and make appropriation for same.
3. To see what sum of money the Town will appropriate for Memorial Day.
4. To see what sum of money the Town will appropriate for Highways and Bridges.
5. To see what sum of money the Town will appropriate for lighting the streets with Electricity.
6. To see what action the Town will take with regard to State Aid Construction, State Aid Maintenance and Trunk Line Maintenance.
7. To see what action the Town will take to suppress the White Pine Blister.

8. To see if the Town will vote to accept gifts and legacies given to the Town by different individuals, the income to be used for the care of cemetery lots.

9. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Evergreen Cemetery.

10. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$250.00 to plow snow from the Trunk Line during the winter of 1927-1928.

11. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this seventeenth day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and twenty-seven.

HARRY W. BROWN
J. PRENTISS WESTON
JAMES J. GRISWOLD
Selectmen of Bennington.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

HARRY W. BROWN
J. PRENTISS WESTON
JAMES J. GRISWOLD
Selectmen of Bennington.

Inventory of Real and Personal Property

Land and Buildings	\$304,545 00	
60 Horses	5,700 00	
2 Mules	150 00	
106 Cows	9,210 00	
11 Neat Stock	600 00	
18 Sheep	126 00	
3 Hogs	90 00	
80 Fowls	80 00	
5 Vehicles	300 00	
3 Portable Mills	1,650 00	
Wood and Lumber	2,400 00	
Aqueducts	600 00	
Gasoline Pumps	900 00	
Stock in trade	205,769 00	
Mills and Machinery	400,000 00	
Polls, 322 at \$2.00	644 00	
	<hr/>	\$932,120 00

Town of Bennington**BALANCE****ASSETS****Cash:**

In hands of treasurer	\$8,701 82
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Accounts Due to the Town—**Due from State:**

(a) Joint Highway Accts.,

Unexpended Bal. in State

Treasury	570 58
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Taxes not collected:

(a) Levy of 1926	2 00
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Total Assets	\$9,274 40
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Excess of liabilities over assets (Net Debt)	4,321 40
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Grand Total	\$13,595 80
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Net Debt—January 31, 1926	\$7,571 21
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Net Debt—January 31, 1927	4,321 40
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Decrease of debt	\$3,249 81
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SHEET**LIABILITIES****Accounts Owed by Town:**

App. for Painting Town Hall \$ 700 00

Due to School Districts:

(a) Dog Licenses 112 72

(b) 3,800 00

State and Town Joint Highway Accounts:

(a) Unexpended bal. in
State Treasury 570 58

(b) Unexpended bal. in
Town Treasury 412 60

Bonds Outstanding:

Water Bonds 8,000 00

Total Liabilities	<hr/>	\$13,595 80
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Grand Total	<hr/>	\$13,595 80
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Amount of Taxes Given Collector \$19,035 79

Rate of Taxation, \$19.70 on \$1,000.00.

Paid Elsewhere and Abated

Alberto Bush, over 70	\$2 00	
Mrs. Edward Boyle, paid in Antrim	2 00	
Lee Kidder, soldier	2 00	
Herbert Lindsay, paid in Hancock	2 00	
Ora Lindsey, paid in Hancock	2 00	
Ellen Parker, over 70	2 00	
William Powers, paid in Hancock	2 00	
John Atwood	1 00	
Ida Atwood	2 00	
F. Dzneid	2 00	
M. Dafahis	2 00	
George Goules	2 00	
Joseph Landry	2 00	
Mrs. Joseph Landry	2 00	
F. L. McNeil	2 00	
Mrs. McNeil	2 00	
Eugene Morrill	2 00	
James Pappas	1 00	
Mrs. James Pappas	2 00	
	36 00	

Uncollected:

Eugene Morrill	\$ 99	
H. Gereni	1 48	
R. Murphy	2 00	
	\$4 47	

RECEIPTS

Current Revenue:

From Local Taxes:

Property taxes committed	
to collector, 1926	\$18,352 79
Less discount and	
abatement, 1926	36 00
Less uncollected, 1926	4 47
1. Property taxes, current year,	
actually collected	\$18,350 32
2. Poll taxes, current year	
actually collected @ \$2.00	644 00
3. Property and poll taxes, pre-	
vious years, actually collect'd	18 86
4. National Bank Stock Taxes	2 00

From State:

5. For highways:	
(a) For St. Aid Maint.	277 60
(b) For St. Aid Const.	1,684 12
(c) For Trunk Line maint.	635 05
6. Interest and dividend tax	88 76
7. Insurance tax	3 00
8. Railroad tax	140 78
9. Savings bank tax	1,040 30
12. Fighting forest fires	8 80

From County:

14. For support of poor	227 37
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From Local Sources, Except Taxes:

16. Dog licenses	112 72
17. Business licenses and permits	20 00
18. Fines and forfeits, municipal	
court	25 00
19. Rent of town hall	501 00
24. Income from departments	1,145 96
26. Permits for the registration	
of motor vehicles	996 88
28. Miscellaneous receipts	84 41

Total Receipts from All Sources	\$26,006 93
Cash on hand February 1, 1926	9,134 23
Grand Total	\$35,141 16

PAYMENTS

Current Maintenance Expenses:

General Government:

1. Town officers' salaries	\$ 709 86
2. Town officers' expenses	358 19
3. Election and registration expenses	73 50
5. Expenses town hall and other town buildings	869 22

Protection of Persons and Property:

6. Police department, including care of tramps	103 58
7. Fire department, including forest fires	383 17
8. Moth extermination	23 20

Health:

11. Health department, including hospitals	466 34
12. Vital statistics	7 60

Highways and Bridges:

Trunk Line Snow	83 44
14. State Aid Maint.	1,204 89
15. Trunk Line maint.	1,482 52
16. Town maintenance	1,782 63
17. Street lighting & sprinkling	605 00
18. General expenses of highway department, including watering troughs	177 57

Libraries:

19. Libraries	200 00
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Charities:

20. Town poor	15 80
21. County poor	186 37

Patriotic Purposes:

22. Aid to G. A. R. Memorial Day exercises	125 00
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Public Service Enterprises:

25. Water Works	536 62
27. Cemeteries, including hearse hire	242 16

Outlay for New Construction and Permanent Improvements:

37. Highways and Bridges—	
State Aid Construction	4,585 54

Total Outlay Payments	\$4,585 54
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Indebtedness:

46. Payments on long term notes	3,000 00
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Total Indebtedness Payments	\$3,000 00
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Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:

51. Taxes paid to State	\$2,415 00
52. Taxes paid to County	1,815 11
54. Payments to School Dist.	4,982 03

Total Payments to Other Gov. Div.	\$9,212 14
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Total Payments for all Purposes	\$26,434 34
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Cash on hand January 31, 1927	8,701 82
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Grand Total	\$35,136 16
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One Order from last year paid out this year	5 00
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	\$35,141 16
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SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Description	Value
1. Town Hall, Lands and Buildings	\$10,000 00
Furniture and Equipment	300 00
2. Libraries, Lands and Buildings	5,100 00
Furniture and Equipment	500 00
3. Police Department, Lands and Buildings	400 00
4. Fire Department, Lands and Buildings	1,200 00
Equipment	2,500 00
5. Highway Department, Lands and Buildings	300 00
Equipment	600 00
Total	\$40,800 00

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.
Date February 17, 1927.

HARRY W. BROWN
J. PRENTISS WESTON
JAMES J. GRISWOLD
Selectmen.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Detail 1—Town Officers' Salaries

L. J. Parker, Auditor	\$ 2 00
Harry S. Dunbar, Dog Constable	7 50
Charles H. Smith, Town Clerk	50 00
J. J. Griswold, Selectman	75 00
J. Prentiss Weston, Selectman	100 00
Harry W. Brown, Selectman	135 00
A. F. Bell, Treasurer	150 00
M. C. Newton, Tax Collector	190 36
	<hr/> \$709 86

Detail 2—Town Officers' Expenses

H. W. Brown, Stamps	\$ 10 00
Edson C. Eastman, Supplies	32 69
H. W. Eldredge, Printing	131 00
Conn. Valley Tel. Co.	9 15
H. W. Brown, Expenses Selectmen	
Tax Commission Meeting	15 20
A. F. Bell,—Supplies	
Town Clerk	8 50
J. Madison Howe,—Supplies	
Tax Collector	3 00
H. W. Wilson, Premium on	
Bonds: Town Officers	56 20
Bennington Garage, Auto	10 00
Tribune Publishing Co.	
Supplies Tax Collector	3 50
A. W. Rowell, Dues of Assessors	2 00
Automotive Service Bureau, Supplies	11 61
J. B. Maynard, Dinners	5 89
Bennington Garage, Repairs Lawn	
Mower	1 00
Sophia Ross, Dinners	8 00
M. C. Newton, Supplies	9 45
C. H. Smith, Supplies	31 00
Ezra M. Smith, Legal Advice	5 00
A. F. Bell, Supplies, Treasurer	5 00
	<hr/> \$358 19

Detail 3—Election and Registration

Bennington Grange, Dinners	\$ 1 50	
William P. Harrington, Ballot Inspector	6 00	
Harry S. Dunbar, Ballot Inspector	6 00	
Leon Messer, Ballot Inspector	6 00	
Frank J. Newton, Ballot Inspector	6 00	
Henry W. Wilson, Supervisor	16 00	
George E. Edwards, Moderator	12 00	
Charles M. Taylor, Supervisor	20 00	
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		\$73 50

Detail 5—Town Hall

George H. King, Janitor and Supplies	98 67	
P. J. Shea, Janitor and Supplies	135 98	
N. H. Power Co., Electric Lights	97 52	
H. W. Wilson, Insurance	140 80	
W. F. Clark, Labor	15 00	
Kofard & Son, Tuning Piano	4 00	
L. J. Parker, Wood and Sawing	11 00	
J. Dana Weston, Wood	12 00	
Charles Bartlett, Setting Glass	2 00	
James Cashion, Cleaning Chimneys	5 00	
James Elliott, Coal	347 25	
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		\$869 22

Detail 6—Police Dept.

N. H. Power Co., Electric Lights	\$12 00	
H. W. Wilson, Insurance	6 00	
P. J. Shea, Police	3 00	
W. J. St. Pierre, Police	82 58	
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		\$103 58

Detail 7—Fire Dept.

F. K. Black and Son, Repairs	\$ 46 75
L. J. Parker, Wood	23 50
Monadnock Paper Mills, Packing	1 00

H. W. Wilson, Insurance	44 13	
Bennington Garage, Supplies	80 43	
H. W. Wilson, Coupling and Freight	6 70	
A. H. Blanchard, Nozzle Tips	6 11	
J. H. Foster, Extinguishers	27 00	
Leon Messer, Drawing Coal	3 00	
P. J. Shea, Payroll Fires for the Year	132 50	
N. H. Power Co., Lights	12 05	
	<hr/>	\$383 17

Detail 11—Health Dept.

C. H. Smith, Supplies Diphtheria Cases	\$105 85	
J. D. Weston, Milk Diphtheria Cases	18 78	
L. J. Parker, Wood, Diphtheria Cases	21 00	
A. R. Sheldon, Supplies, Diphtheria Cases	94 06	
G. D. Tibbetts, Diphtheria Cases	190 75	
H. W. Wilson, Health Officer Supplies and Expenses	35 90	
	<hr/>	\$466 34

Detail 12—Vital Statistics

E. D. Stevens, Returning Births	\$1 25	
G. D. Tibbetts, Returning Births	2 00	
C. H. Smith, Recording	4 35	
	<hr/>	\$7 60

Detail 13—State Aid Maintenance

George M. Holmes, Patrolman	\$1,204 89	
	<hr/>	\$1,204 89

Detail 14—Trunk Line Maintenance

George M. Holmes, Patrolman	\$1,482 52	
	<hr/>	\$1,482 52

Detail 15—Town Maintenance

H. W. Wilson, Insurance	\$ 10 50	
H. B. Pratt, Services	20 00	
George M. Holmes, Road Agent	1,752 13	
	<hr/>	\$1,782 63

Detail 16—Street Lighting

N. H. Power Co.	\$605 00	
	<hr/>	\$605 00

Detail 17—General Expenses

Frank Traxler, Labor at Dump	\$ 7 00	
Fred Thompson, Supplies	44	
W. P. Harrington, Labor	35 41	
George M. Holmes, Grading around		
Town Hall	107 22	
G. D. Tibbets, Examining Children	5 00	
Allan Gerrard, Care of Town Clock	15 00	
Olin Newhall, Turkey Killed by Dogs	7 50	
	<hr/>	\$177 57

Detail 18—Libraries

H. W. Wilson, Appropriation	\$200 00	
	<hr/>	\$200 00

Detail 19—Town Poor

H. W. Wilson, Overseer of Poor, and Expenses	\$15 80	
	<hr/>	\$15 80

Detail 20—County Poor

F. L. Eaton, Board	\$90 00	
Ida Underwood, Board	50 57	
G. D. Tibbetts, Services	22 00	
H. W. Wilson, Trip to Grasmere and Board	23 80	
	<hr/>	\$186 37

Detail 21—Memorial Day

J. J. Griswold Appropriation	\$125 00	
	<hr/>	\$125 00

Detail 24—Cemeteries

Frank Traxler, Labor	\$ 3 50	
W. F. Clark, Labor	7 48	
C. H. Philbrick, Appropriation	200 00	
L. J. Parker, Labor	26 93	
Bennington Garage, Labor	75	
W. P. Harrington, Labor	3 50	
	<hr/>	\$242 16

Detail 26—Water Works

Hillsboro Guaranty Savings Bank,		
Interest	\$536 62	
	<hr/>	\$536 62

Detail 27—Forest Fires

Henry W. Wilson—Fire Bills	\$23 20	
	<hr/>	\$23 20

Detail 28—Trunk Line Snow Removal

Snow Removal	\$83 44	
	<hr/>	\$83 44

Detail 30—State Aid Construction

George M. Holmes	\$4,585 54	
	<hr/>	\$4,585 54

Detail 31—Long Term Notes

Hillsboro Guaranty Savings Bank,		
3 Water Bonds	\$3,000 00	
	<hr/>	\$3,000 00

Detail 32—Governmental Divisions

State Tax	\$1,230 92	
County Tax	1,815 11	
Schools	4,982 03	
	<hr/>	\$8,028 06

HARRY W. BROWN
 J. PRENTISS WESTON
 JAMES J. GRISWOLD
 Selectmen of Bennington

We have examined the above reports of the Selectmen, Town Treasurer, Tax Collector and Road Agent, and find them correct and all disbursements properly vouched.

The accounts have been arranged in accordance with the Uniform Classification of the Tax Commission.

PHILIP KNOWLES
 LAWRENCE J. PARKER
 Auditors.

TOWN HALL ACCOUNT, 1926

George King

Month	Rents	Care of Hall	Supplies
1926			
February	\$54 60	\$22 50	\$ 75
March	48 30	24 50	1 55
April	42 50	21 00	2 03
May	62 50	25 00	
	<hr/> \$207 90	\$93 00	\$4 33

Patrick J. Shea

June	41 50	14 75	
July	46 90	15 75	
August	36 50	12 75	1 86
September	31 50	12 00	
October	35 00	12 50	3 97
November	10 50	13 50	2 40
December	37 70	19 00	25
1927			
January	53 50	23 00	
	<hr/> \$293 10	\$123 25	\$13 81

Total Rents: \$501.00.

Care of Hall: \$216.25

TOWN OF BENNINGTON, N. H.

ROAD AGENT'S ACCOUNT

Week Ending Feb. 13, 1926

George M. Holmes, 5 dys. 3 hrs.	\$21 33	
George M. Holmes' Horse 3 dys. 4 hrs.	9 30	
Leon Messer and team, 4 dys. 4 hrs.	31 11	
William Taylor and Team 4 dys.	28 00	
Perley Warren and Team 4 dys. 5 hrs.	31 94	
John Smiley, 1 dy.	3 50	
Fred Eaton, 1 dy.	3 50	
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		\$128 68

Week Ending March 1, 1926

George M. Holmes, 1 dy. 1 hr.	\$ 4 44	
George M. Holmes' horse, 1 dy. 1 hr.	3 00	
Leon Messer and Team 5 hrs.	3 95	
John Smiley, 7 hrs.	2 72	
Perley Warren and Team, 4 hrs.	3 11	
Herbert A. Curtis, breaking roads	21 70	
George Newhall, breaking roads	12 40	
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		\$55 14

Week Ending March 19, 1926

George M. Holmes, 1 dy. 4 hrs.	\$5 78	
George M. Holmes' Horse, 8 hrs.	2 00	
John Smiley, 8 hrs.	3 11	
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		\$10 89

Week Ending April 10, 1926

George M. Holmes, 2 dys. 7 hrs.	\$11 11	
George M. Holmes' horse, 2 dys.	4 50	
Herbert Wilson, 7 hrs.	2 72	
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		\$18 33

Week Ending April 5, 1926

George M. Holmes, 4 dys.	\$16 00
George M. Holmes' Horse, 1 dy. 7 hrs.	4 00
Leon Messer and Team, 1 dy. 3 hrs.	9 33
John Smiley, 2 dys.	7 00
George Meads, 2 hrs.	72
John Atwood, 3 hrs.	1 17

\$56 55

Week Ending April 17, 1926

George M. Holmes, 6 dys. 8 hrs.	\$27 56
Leon Messer and Team, 5 dys. 8 hrs.	41 23
John Atwood, 2 dys. 5 hrs.	8 94
John Smiley, 3 dys.	10 50
Herbert Wilson, 3 dys.	10 50
William Taylor and Team, 3dys.	21 00

\$119 73

Week Ending April 24, 1926

George M. Holmes, 2 dys. 5 hrs.	\$10 22
John Smiley, 1 dy. 4 hrs.	5 06
Leon Messer and Team, 1 dy. 2 hrs.	8 55
Lyman Parker, 5 hrs.	1 94
George M. Holmes' Horse, 5 hrs.	1 25

\$27 02

Week Ending May 1, 1926

George M. Holmes, 3 dys. 4 hrs.	\$13 78
John Smiley, 2 dys. 4 hrs.	8 56
Fred Eaton, 2 dys. 4 hrs.	8 56
Leon Messer and Team, 3 dys.	21 00
William Taylor and Team, 2 dys. 4 hrs.	17 11

\$69 01

Week Ending May 8, 1926

George M. Holmes, 6 dys.	\$24 00	
John Smiley, 5 dys. 4 hrs.	19 06	
Fred Eaton, 5 dys.	17 50	
Leon Messer and Team, 5 dys.	35 00	
William Taylor & Team, 4 dys. 6 hrs.	32 67	
Frank Traxler, 4 hrs.	1 56	
	<hr/>	\$129 79

Week Ending May 15, 1926

George M. Holmes, 2 dys.	\$8 00	
John Smiley, 2 dys. 1 hr.	7 39	
Fred Eaton, 2 dys. 2 hrs.	7 78	
Eileen Newhall and Truck, 4 hrs.	5 23	
	<hr/>	\$28 50

Week Ending May 22, 1926

George M. Holmes, 6 dys.	\$24 00	
John Smiley, 6 dys.	21 00	
Fred Eaton, 6 dys.	21 00	
Perley Warren and Team, 4 dys.	28 00	
Lawrence J. Parker and Truck, 4 dys.	40 00	
Frank Traxler, 4 dys.	14 00	
	<hr/>	\$148 00

Week Ending June 4, 1926

George M. Holmes, 1 dy.	\$4 00	
Charles Stowell, 3 dys.	10 50	
William Taylor and Team, 3 dys.	21 00	
Henry George, 2 dys.	7 00	
Sam Newton, 3 dys. 4 hrs.	12 06	
	<hr/>	\$54 56

Week Ending June 19, 1926

George M. Holmes, 2 dys. 6 hrs.	\$10 33
John Smiley, 2 dys. 4 hrs.	8 56

Fred Eaton, 2 dys. 4 hrs.	8 56
M. Fournier, 1 dy. 4 hrs.	5 06
Jeddie Holt, 1 dy. 4 hrs.	5 06
William Taylor and Team, 1 dy. 4 hrs.	10 11
Leon Messer and Team, 1 dy. 4 hrs.	10 11
Jeddie Holt, Gravel, 47 loads	4 70

\$62 49

Week Ending June 26, 1926

George Holmes, 4 days	\$16 00
John Smiley, 4 days	14 00
Fred Eaton, 3 days	10 50
Maurice Fournier, 3 days	10 50
Leon Messer and team, 4 days	28 00
William Taylor and team, 2 days	14 00
Lawrence J. Parker and Truck, 2 days	20 00
Ed. Newton, 2 days, 5 hours	8 94
Mr. Hoyt, gravel, 43 loads	4 30
Henry George, 23 loads	2 30
James Colby, gravel, 6 loads	60
James Griswold, gravel, 63 loads	6 30

\$135 44

Week Ending July 4, 1926

George Holmes, 4 days	16 00
Fred Eaton, 3 days	10 50
Ed. Newton, 1 day, 7 hrs.	2 72
John Smiley, 1 day, 3 hrs.	4 67
Leon Messer and Team, 2 days, 4 hrs.	17 11
Barney McAllister, 1 day, 7 hrs.	6 22
W. Swinington	3 50
Lawrence J. Parker and Truck, 2 days	20 00
Maurice Fournier, 1 day, 4 hrs.	4 06
William Taylor and team 1 day	7 00
Frank Traxler, 1 day	3 50
A. Harrison	3 50
Bridge Plank	114 25

\$213 03

Week Ending July 24, 1926

George M. Holmes, 1 day	\$4 00	
Leon Messer and team, 5 hrs.	3 88	
John Smiley, 5 hrs.	1 94	
Mrs Nellie Sturtevant	3 00	
Drills. Dyer Sale Co.	24 23	
Freight	50	
	<hr/>	\$37 55

Week Ending Aug. 3, 1926

George M. Holmes, 2 hrs	\$ 89	
E. W. Sturtevant, sharp. picks	2 20	
Fred A. Knight, tools and supplies	9 62	
Fred A. Knight, spades	18 00	
	<hr/>	\$30 71

Week Ending Aug. 21, 1926

George M. Holmes, 4 days	\$16 00	
John Smiley, 2days, 7 hrs.	9 72	
Maurice Fournier, 1 day, 3 hrs.	4 67	
Ed. Newton, 2 days, 7 hrs.	9 72	
W. Swinington, 1 day, 3 hrs.	4 67	
Leon Messer and team, 2 days, 7 hrs.	9 72	
Parker truck, 3 hrs	4 00	
	<hr/>	\$58 50

Week Ending Oct. 30, 1926

George M. Holmes, 2days, 4 hrs	\$9 78	
Harvey Balch, hauling gravel	2 34	
L. W. Parker and Truck	1 00	
Walter Smith, 5 hrs.	1 94	
	<hr/>	\$15 06

Week Ending Nov. 6, 1926

George Holmes, 4 days	\$16 00
John Smiley, 3 days, 4 hrs	12 06

Harry Rosier, 4 days	14 00	
F. Davie, 4 days	14 00	
Balch and team, 3 days, 4 hrs	24 11	
Wm. Taylor and team, 4 days	28 00	
	<hr/>	\$108 17

Week Ending Nov. 13, 1926

George M. Holmes, 1 day, 3 hrs.	\$4 44	
John Smiley, 1 day, 1 hr.	3 89	
Fred Eaton, 1 day, 1 hr.	3 89	
H. Balch and team, 5 hrs	3 88	
William Taylor, 1 day, 1 hr	7 77	
Harvey Balch, gravel 34 loads	3 40	
Jeddie Holt, gravel, 18 loads	1 80	
A. A. Martin, gravel, 15 loads	1 50	
	<hr/>	\$30 57

Week Ending Nov. 20, 1926

George M. Holmes, 1 day, 5 hrs.	\$6 22	
John Smiley, 2 hrs.	78	
Frank Newton, 2 hrs.	78	
Wm. Taylor and team, 2 hrs	1 55	
Gene Scarbo, 5 hrs.	1 94	
	<hr/>	\$11 27

Week Ending Dec. 11, 1926

George M. Holmes, 2 days, 8 hrs.	\$11 56	
John Smiley, 2 days, 1 hr.	7 38	
Wm. Taylor and team, 1 day, 7 hrs.	12 44	
George Holmes, 1 horse, 4 hrs.	1 00	
	<hr/>	\$32 38

Week Ending Jan. 1, 1927

George M. Holmes, 1 day, 8 hrs.	\$7 56	
John Smiley, 8 hrs.	3 11	
Wm. Taylor and team, 1 day, 8 hrs	13 23	

Fred Colby and team, 7 hrs.	5 44	
George Meads, 6 hrs.	2 33	
	<hr/>	\$31 67

Week Ending Jan. 18, 1927

George Holmes, 5 days, 4 hrs.	\$22 22	
A. J. Pierce and tractor, 4 days 1 hr.	111 00	
John Smiley, 1hr.	39	
Wm. Taylor and team, 1 day	7 00	
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Week Ending Jan. 28, 1927

George M. Holmes, 5 hrs.	\$2 22	
John Smiley, 5 hrs.	1 94	
Wm. Taylor and team, 3 hrs	2 33	
F. A. Knight, spikes	35	
Fred Colby, breaking roads	9 48	
A. A. Martin, gravel, 5 loads	50	
	<hr/>	\$16 82

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

From March 9th to December 31st, 1926

Number of Male Dogs Licensed at \$2.00, 40	\$80 00
Number Female Dogs Licensed at \$5.00, 4	20 00
Number Spayed Female Dogs Licensed at \$2.00, 13	26 00
One Male Dog Licensed for 7 months	1 17
One Male Dog Licensed for 6 months	1 00
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Total	\$128 17
Less Clerk's fees	11 80
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	\$116 37
Paid out for Dog Tags	3 65
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Paid Town Treasurer	\$112 72
Number of Automobile Permits issued, 124	
Paid Town Treasurer for same	\$921 55
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Total	\$1,034 27

CHARLES H. SMITH,

Town Clerk

SUNNYSIDE CEMETERY REPORT

Balance on hand, Feb. 1, 1926	\$187 81
Received from Allan Gerrard, interest on bond	2 12
Received from Allan Gerrard, Trustee of Trust Funds	201 85
Received for loam:	25 25
Received from Henry Wilson, for wood	5 00
Received for lots in cemetery	5 00
Received for 1 lot, Frank Taylor	5 00
Received for 2 lots, Sarah Bartlett	10 00
Received for 1 lot, Maurice Newton	5 00
Total Received	\$447 03

March 9, 1926, paid H. W. Wilson for 18½ days work, (should have been paid in 1925)	\$65 75
Mar. 9., paid for sprinkler and nozzle	3 45
May 1, paid E. D. Newhall, 4 loads loam	6 00
May 1, paid Hopkins & Belcher, 4 bags phosphate	8 00
May 1, paid Hopkins & Belcher, 400 lbs grass seed	8 00
June 4, paid A. R. Sheldon, grass seed	8 23
June 14, paid W. P. Harrington, labor	18 48
June 30, paid Hopkins & Belcher, phosphate	16 25
June 30, paid L. J. Parker, trucking	6 75
June 30, paid F. Traxler, cleaning cemetery 4½ hours	1 75
July 10, paid W. P. Harrington, labor 5 days 7 hrs.	20 24
July 16, paid Frank Traxler, 1 day labor	3 50
July 24, paid A. R. Sheldon, grass seed	3 97
July 27, L. J. Parker, loam	15 00
11 hours labor	5 50
Sept. 23, paid W. P. Harrington, remodeling graves	21 62
Sept. 25, paid Milan Parker, trimming trees, 6 hrs.	3 00
Oct. 9, paid Fred Knight, for paint	5 40
Oct. 9, paid Lawrence Parker for trucking	11 55
Oct. 10, paid W. P. Harrington, remodeling graves	30 75

Oct. 21, paid A. R. Sheldon, grass seed		9 75
Oct. 23, paid W. P. Harrington, labor		7 00
Paid Frank Traxler, Treasurer		5 00
Paid E. D. Newhall, loam		28 50
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Total		\$313 44
Total amount received	\$447 03	
Total amount paid out	313 44	
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Balance on hand	\$133 59	

FRANK G. TRAXLER, Treas.

EVERGREEN CEMETERY FOR YEAR 1926

Report of Trustees for Year Ending Feb., 1927

Dr.

To balance in First Natl. Bank of Peterboro, N. H., Feb., 1926	\$107 03
Aug. 19, 1926, Check from Town appropriation	200 00
Sept. 2, 1926, Interest on Trust fund, Mrs. A. D. Green	30 00
Oct. 12, 1926, Lot No. 30, sold to Jedd Holt	5 00
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	\$342 03

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July 15, 1926, Paid Mrs. Mary P. Norris for land, Check No. 9	\$75 00
July 20, Paid A. A. Mallet and W. V. Smith mowing cemetery, Check No. 10	14 00
Aug. 16, 1926, Paid H. W. Wilson, Check No. 11	2 24

Aug. 19, 1926, Paid F. C. Starrett, old office for tool house, Check No. 12	150 00
Aug. 31, 1926, Paid James Cashion, labor on tool house, Check No. 13	1 50
Sept. 17, 1926, Paid Charles Sawyer, labor moving tool house, Check No. 14	9 00
Oct. 12, 1926, Paid James Elliott, labor and team moving tool house, Check No. 15	16 00
Nov. 8, 1926, Paid Scott Knight, labor moving tool house, Check No. 17	2 00
April, 1926, Paid Jedd Holt, labor at cemetery, Check No. 16	5 00
Oct. and Nov., 1926, Paid E. D. Newhall, truck at cemetery, Check No. 19	5 80
Nov. 17, 1926, C. M. Stowell, labor at cemetery Check No. 18	6 30
Nov. 17, H. W. Wilson, insurance on tool house Check No. 21	2 25
Nov. 18, 1926, W. O. Smith, labor in cemetery Check No. 22	12 20
Nov. 19, 1926, G. P. Gibson, 3 loads barn fertilizer, Check No. 23	4 50
Nov., 1926, R. E. Messer, letting out of water, Check No. 24	3 00
Nov. 27, 1926, F. A. Knight, cement, etc. Check No. 25	3 07
Nov. 27, 1926, C. H. Philbrick, labor and material, Check No. 26	22 20
Balance in First Natl. Bank, Peterboro, N. H.	45 77
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	\$342 03

We have bought additional land north of cemetery and the Starrett office for keeping tools in. The building is slated roof, clapboarded, with blinds, paint in good condition, all finished inside, sheathed, plastered and papered inside.

Would ask that the town raise and appropriate same as last year for improvements the coming year; leveling down plats and reseeding, and other cleaning up of cemetery to compare with the Sunnyside cemetery.

Not much was done on plats this year due to lateness and obtaining help.

C. H. PHILBRICK

H. W. BROWN

J. J. GRISWOLD

Trustees of Evergreen Cemetery.

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN AND TRUSTEES OF THE G. E. P. DODGE LIBRARY

For the Year Ending Jan. 29, 1927

Books numbered for circulation	9,036
Books by Purchase	5
Books by Gifts	51
Miss Elizabeth Rogers, May 1926,	3
Mrs. Olive Swift, May and October, 1926	41
Rev. J. P. Dickerman, Sept., 1926	7

Magazines:

Mrs. Carkin, Mrs. Mary L. Knight, Mrs. Swift, Mrs. Mary Traxler, Mrs. Dana Weston, Clarence Kochersperger, Arthur J. Pierce, Charles Smith.

Cards issued	285
Cash on hand, Feb. 1, 1926	\$1 16
From Fines	9 61
Paid H. W. Wilson	10 00
Cash on hand, Feb. 1, 1927	77

By Gifts:

Framed picture of Abraham Burt.

Clarinet, property of Abraham Burt, who was born in Bennington, January 18, 1813, died May 18, 1898. Presented by Alwin Stevens, April 17, 1926.

Letter written by the late Mrs. John C. Dodge relat-

ing to the town library, before and during the Civil War, 1861-65.

The following articles were in the possession of the seventh generation of Alexander Caldwell who came from Ireland about 1718. The Caldwells were Scotch Irish. One of the descendants, Alexander Caldwell, lived and died in Bennington.

Pocket-book—was brought over from Ireland about 1718 by Alexander Caldwell to Londonderry, New Hampshire.

The Spoon—While Mr. Caldwell was whittling out a spoon from a piece of wood, one of his comrades came along and gave him this spoon, it being one that he had made out of some soft metal run in a wooden mould. It was used all the time he was in the army. On his return it was kept as a souvenir. (War of 1812).

Cuff Buttons—were made out of silver six pences, carried by Capt. John Hull of Mass. At the same time the Pine tree shillings were carried and the first money made in America. These were worn during his service in the army.

By Allan Gerrard, Nov. 1926

From the collection of the late Hartwell Lakin—Agate, copper, gold and silver ore in its natural state. Flint, Petrified Moss, Petrified Sponge, Petrified Snakes. Lava from an unknown volcano. Stalactites and Stalagmites from unknown caves.—Presented by Miss Edith L. Lawrence, Oct., 1926.

Respectfully submitted,

EMMA G. BARTLETT,
Librarian

HENRY W. WILSON
F. G. TRAXLER
ALLAN A. GERRARD
Trustees of G. E. P. Dodge Library

Treasurer's Report of G. E. P. Dodge Library

Cash on hand February 1, 1926	\$133 64
Received interest from Butler Fund	46 51
Received from Emma Bartlett, fines	10 00
Received from Town Treasurer	200 00
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	\$390 15

Cash Paid Out:		
Paid for electric lights	\$ 9 00	
Paid for Magazines	5 60	
Paid for wood	40 00	
Paid for putting in wood	3 00	
Paid for books	3 65	
Paid Emma G. Bartlett, salary	50 00	
Cash on hand February 1, 1927	278 90	
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	\$390 15	\$390 15

HENRY W. WILSON,
Treasurer.

We have examined the above account and find it correct.

F. G. TRAXLER
ALLAN A. GERRARD

REPORT OF MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

Received of A. F. Bell		\$125 00
Paid out:		
Speaker	\$15 00	
Flags and Postage	8 59	
Band	65 00	
Returned to Town Treasurer	36 41	
		\$125 00

JAMES J. GRISWOLD,
Commander.

FIREWARDENS' REPORT

For the Year Ending January 31, 1927

Merrimack Engine in good condition.
 Chemical Engine in first class condition.
 1250 feet of New Rubber lined hose.
 Ladders, Rubber Coats, Pails, Shovels, Fire Extinguishers, in good shape.

The Company has been called out to several chimney fires.

HENRY W. WILSON
 HARRY S. DUNBAR
 LEON MESSER

Firewardens.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF BENNINGTON

WATER WORKS, 1926

Uncollected, 1925	\$ 104 41
Rates due, 1926	1,529 33
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Total due	\$1,633 74
Credits	
Labor on Water System	\$419 03
Uncollected	76 75
Cash to A. F. Bell, Treasurer	1,137 96
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Total	\$1,633 74

R. E. MESSER, Supt.

Approved:

H. W. BROWN
C. F. BURNHAM
G. B. GRISWOLD

Water Commissioners

UNCOLLECTED WATER RENTS, 1926

M. C. King	\$4 00
Paul Traxler	2 50
Mrs. M. M. Cheney	9 00
John T. Connor Co.	2 50
Harry Dunbar	7 50
C. H. Philbrick	10 00
Will Bryant	2 50
Herbert Bosley	6 25
L. J. Parker	10 00
George H. King	22 50
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	\$76 75

RALPH E. MESSER,
Superintendent.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE BENNINGTON SCHOOL

DISTRICT TREASURER

For the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 1925, and Ending
June 30, 1926

Receipts

Income from local taxation raised by Selectmen for support of elementary schools	\$5,074 06
For payment of High School Tuitions	725 94
From other Sources than Taxation:	
Dog Licenses	82 17
Cash on hand July 1, 1925	336 79
Total Receipts from all Sources	\$6,218 91

Payments

Administration:

1 Salaries of District Officers	\$115 00
2 Superintendent's Excess Salary	120 40
3 Truant Officer's Census taker	10 75
4 Expenses of Administration	42 41

Instruction:

5 Teacher's Salaries	3,000 00
6 Text Books	126 99
7 Scholars' Supplies	106 88
8 Flags and Appurtenances	7 50
9 Other Expenses of Instruction	2 13

Operation and Maintenance:

10	Janitor Service	300 00
11	Fuel	188 50
12	Water, light, janitor's supplies	34 31
13	Minor expenses and repairs	75 12

Auxiliary Agencies and Special Activities:

14	Medical inspection	89 00
15	Transportation of pupils	450 00
16	High school tuitions	725 94
17	Elementary school tuitions	48 00
18	Other activities, music	180 00

Fixed Charges:

19	Insurance	7 80
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Outlay for Construction:

23	New Equipment, desks	85 64
26	Per capita tax	198 00

Total payment for all purposes	\$5,864 37
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Total Cash on Hand, June 30, 1926	354 54
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Grand Total	\$6,218 91
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Assets, June 30, 1926

Balance June 30, 1926	\$354 54
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Account due to District from Town	182 03
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\$536 57

MARGARET J. TAYLOR,
Treasurer.

EMMA A. JOSLIN
CHARLES M. TAYLOR
Auditors.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Bennington School Board:

There is a very definite spirit in the Town of Bennington that continually manifests itself in such splendid activities as center around the schools. We refer to the public spirit that manifested itself in the providing of playground material for the children of the town, that is planning a protected playground for them, that sees to it that adequate books are instantly available for special needs, and that manifested itself in the Institute held in Bennington last fall, where in addition to the cordiality extended by everyone connected with the affair Mrs. Pierce insisted that all the visiting teachers were her guests. The opening of the paper mills for inspection added the final touch to what several of the visiting teachers called "The best institute and the finest hospitality we have ever known."

Owing wholly to the desire of providing instruction in a well rounded seventh and eighth grade course, the School Board elected Miss Margaret Genzler to take over the work on the basis of establishing a junior high school program. To this work Miss Genzler has brought her fine personality and her excellent technique, and the work of the children is moving splendidly ahead.

Following the achievement survey made last year, diagnostic tests of individual and class difficulties have been given, and we suggest that those who are interested in child welfare and education make it their business to ask to see the personal remedial work that is being done in the schools this year, with especial emphasis on the primary room and the junior high school. These grades are critical grades, beginning well and ending well the elementary school education in Bennington. Miss Cashion has shown a splendid versatility and a strong, purposeful activity in the correction of sub-standard cases. Miss Cilley, in the more prosaic drill grades is extending remedial work into problem solu-

tions, rather than overstressing computation. The result will be a greater possibility for advance in junior high school work.

None of the achievements in Bennington are haphazardly arrived at. School systems never rise higher than the level of educational desire of the School Board. And it is right and proper that the Town should give due recognition and appreciation to those chosen to represent the parents and protect the children, the members of the Board.

The morale of the school is assisted or lowered by the care given the buildings. We desire to call attention to Mr. Burnham's untiring work to keep the property in good condition, and to see to it that the children are in splendidly clean schoolrooms.

We recommend no changes in policy, and have submitted in person to the School Board such recommendations for proper maintenance of the present standards plus the normal gain that must occur where all who are interested in children are harmoniously at work, in the form of the budget herewith enclosed.

(Signed)

LAWTON CHASE,
Supt. of Schools

Given at Peterborough, N. H.
February 1, 1927

BENNINGTON SCHOOL BUDGET, 1927-28

	1927-28 Old Figure	
Salaries of District Officers	\$115 00	\$115 00
Salary of Supt.	120 40	120 40
Truant Officer and Enumeration costs	10 00	10 00
Expenses of Administration	45 00	25 00
Principal's and Teachers' Salaries	3,150 00	3200 00
Books	150 00	125 00
Scholars' Supplies	125 00	125 00
Flags and appurtenances	10 00	15 00
Other Expenses of Instruction	45 00	25 00
Medical Inspection	100 00	100 00
Transportation	540 00	540 00
High school and academy tuitions	1000 00	1080 00
Elementary School Tuitions	48 00	48 00
Other Special Activities, including music	250 00	200 00
Insurance	10 00	25 00
Alterations of old buildings	150 00	250 00
New Equipment	100 00	100 00
Janitor Service	360 00	300 00
Fuel, including filling bins with coal	240 00	120 00
Water, light and janitors' supplies	40 00	50 00
Minor repairs and incidental expenses	275 00	100 00
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	\$6883 40	\$6861 40

REPORT OF SEXTON OF TOWN OF BENNINGTON, N. H. From January 31, 1926, to January 31, 1927

Name	Age			Died	Disease	Brought From	Place of Interment
	Yrs	Mo.	Ds.				
Ella A. Knight	77	7	23	February 11	Chronic Inter. Myocard's		Bennington
Abbie Simonds	88	11		February 23	Bron. pneumonia		"
Herbert A. Eaton	67	4	22	March 20	Heart disease (Nitrol)		"
Hercule Joyal	91	10	21	March 31	Bron. pneumonia		Nashua
George O. Joslin	69	9	19	May 1	Valvular disease		Greenfield
C. Elizabeth Rogers	54	6	12	September 18	Carcinoma of liver		Bennington
Frank Lee Dickey	64	21		October 1	Chron. Diffuse Nephritis		"
Charles P. Bartlett	69	1	16	October 2	Acute bronchitis		"
Jane F. Keith	74	10	25	October 11	Purpura hemorrhagica	Milford	
Catharine L. Dickey	93	10	18	October 23	Cardio Renal Degener'n	Worcester, Mass.	
William Keith	84	10	9	December 10	Chronic Myocarditis	Medford, Mass.	

Report of Sexton of Mount Calvary Cemetery

Leon Girard	66	11	28	January 3 '27	Cerebral hemorrhage with paralysis	Greenfield	
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Respectfully submitted, FRANK A. TAYLOR, Sexton.

Report of Trust Funds of Town of Bennington, January 31, 1927

Date of Creation	Trust Funds Purpose of Creation Name of Fund and Donor	How Funds are Invested As required by Chapter 162, Laws of 1915	Amount of Principal	Rate of Int't %	Income During Year	Expended During Year
May 1916	Abram A. Ramsey, Cem'y fd	Manchester Savings Bank	\$ 600 00	4	27 30	Total amount income during year \$278.36 Same amount was expended
Dec. 1906	G. A. Whittemore	N. H. Savings Bank	300 00	4	14 81	
Feb. 1905	Anna M. Woodbury	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200 00	4	9 10	
Mar. 1906	Anne A. Ramsey	"	200 00	4	9 10	
Aug. 1923	George L. Herrick	"	200 00	4		
Mar. 1914	Mrs. A. D. Green	"	200 00	4	30 00	
Ang. 1923	Mrs. C. M. Whitney	"	200 00	4		
Apr. 1914	Abram A. Ramsey	"	1766 16	4	80 36	
Jan. 1915	C. J. Kimball	"	152 00	4	6 82	
Jan. 1916	Willard S. Carlin	"	382 20	4	15 11	
Feb. 1917	Augustus W. Gray	"	100 00	4	4 54	
Sept 1918	W. H. Darrah	"	50 00	4	2 27	
Jan 1919	Clara R. Whittemore	N. H. Savings Bank	100 00	4	4 93	
July 1919	Anna M. Eaton	One 4 $\frac{1}{4}$ Liberty Bond	100 00	4 $\frac{1}{4}$	4 25	
Dec. 1921	E. D. Dodge	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00	4	4 63	
Oct. 1922	Horace Dinsmore	N. H. Savings Bank	100 00	4	4 80	
Oct. 1923	John D. & Moody Butler	"	225 00	4	10 46	
Aug. 1923	Calvin S. Brown	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00	4		
Oct. 1925	William L. Taylor	"	100 00	4	3 37	
Apr. 1923	J. D. & M. Butler, Lib'y fd	N. H. Savings Bank	1000 00	4	46 51	

**Budget of the Town of
BENNINGTON, N. H.**

**Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures
for the Ensuing Year
Jan. 31, 1927, to Jan. 31, 1928**

**Compared with Actual Revenue
and Expenditures of the
Previous Year
Jan. 31, 1926, to Jan. 31, 1927**

Sources of Revenue	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1926	Estimated Rev. Ensuing Year 1927	Increase	Decrease
FROM STATE:				
Insurance tax	3 00	3 00		
Railroad Tax	140 78	140 78		
Savings Bank Tax	1040 30	1040 30		
For Fighting Forest Fires	8 80	8 80		
For Highways:				
(a) For St. Aid Maint.	1620 00	1620 00		
(b) For Tr. L. Maint.	2400 00	2400 00		
Int. and Divd. Tax	88 76	88 76		
FROM LOCAL SOURCES EXCEPT TAXES:				
All Licenses and Permits				
except Dog Licenses	1025 88	1025 88		
Fines and Forfeits	25 00			25 00
Rent of Town Hall				
and Other Buildings	507 00	507 00		
Income of Departments:				
Highways, Sewers, etc.				
Water Works	1137 96	1137 96		
FROM POLL TAXES	644 00	644 00		
From other taxes except property taxes				
(a) National Bank Stock	2 00	2 00		
Revenue Applicable only to New Construction and Improvements:				
FROM STATE:				
(a) For State Aid				
Highway Const.	1482 00	1482 00		
Revenue Which Must be Paid to Other Govt. Div.:	9213 14	9213 14		
TOTAL REVENUES FROM ALL SOURCES EXCEPT PROPERTY TAXES				
Amount Raised by				
Property Taxes:	18350 32	18350 32		
TOTAL REVENUES	\$37688 94	37663 94		25 00

Purposes of Expenditures	Actual Expt. Previous Year 1926	Estimated Expt. Ensuing Year 1927	Increase	Decrease
Current Maint. Expenses:				
General Government:				
Town Officers' Salaries	709 86	709 86		
Town Officers' Expenses	358 19	358 19		
Election and Regis. Exp.	73 50	16 00		57 50
Care and Supplies for Town Hall	869 22	869 22		
Protection of Persons and Property:				
Police Department	103 58	103 58		
Fire Department	383 17	383 17		
Health:				
Health Department	466 34	50 00		416 34
Vital Statistics	7 60	7 60		
State Aid Maintenance				
State's Contribution	1620 00	1620 00		
Town's Contribution	1080 00	1080 00		
Trunk Line Maintenance				
State's Contribution	2400 00	2400 00		
Town's Contribution	800 00	800 00		
Town Maintenance	1782 63	1782 63		
Street Lighting	605 00	605 00		
General Expense of Highway Department	177 57	177 57		
Education:				
Libraries	200 00	200 00		

Purposes of Expenditures	Actual Expt. Previous Year 1926	Estimated Expt. Ensuing Year 1927	Increase	Decrease
Charities:				
Town Poor	15 80	15 80		
Patriotic Purposes:				
Memorial Day and. other Celebrations	125 00	125 00		
INTEREST:				
On Long Term Notes	536 62	360 00		176 62
Highways and Bridges:				
State Aid Construction				
State's Contribution	1482 00	1482 00		
Town's Contribution	1482 00	1482 00		
Trunk Line Snow Remov.	83 44	83 44		
Indebtedness:				
Payment on Prin. of Debt				
(b) Long Term Notes	3000 00	3000 00		
Payments to Other Govt. Div.:				
State Taxes	2415 00	2415 00		
County Taxes	1815 11	1815 11		
Paym'ts to School Dist.	4982 03	4982 03		
TOTAL EXPEND.	\$26247 97	25597 51		650 46

VITAL STATISTICS.

Births Registered in the Town of Bennington for the Year ending December 31, 1926

Date of Birth	Name of Child	Sex		Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Occupation of Father	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of other
		M	F					
Jan. 20	Joseph David Russell	M		8 Henry E. Bois (Wood)	Delma A. Murphy	Laborer	Canada	Canada
Mar. 7	Paul Melvin	M		6 Ernest E. Wilson	Lillian A. Cain	Laborer	Greenfield	Greenfield
Mar. 24	Donald Earl	M		2 Harry E. Flanders	Catherine Cashion	Mill Operator	Hillsboro	Bennington
Apr. 22	Gregory	M		4 William Brantis	Panagio Tatisio	Laborer	Lowell, Mass.	Lowell, Mass.
Apr. 20	Helen Elizabeth	F		4 Edward J. Boyle	Hazel E. Clough	Laborer	Ludlow, Vt.	Haverhill, Mass.
Apr. 24	Robert Eugene	M		4 Gilbert R. Underwood	Ida E. Piper	Truck Driver	Marlow	Goffstown
May 22	Stillborn	F		3 Herbert Bosley	Blanche Keyser	Trackman	Ashland	Bradford
June 21	Charles	M		2 Steve Zachos	Sophy Bocogianes	Paper Maker	Greece	Greece
July 1	Stillborn	F		6 George E. Curtis	Annie L. Penniman	Salesman	Antrim	Sandwich
July 22	Marial Vida	F		1 David Braid	Margaret A. Cody	Asst. Engineer	Scotland	Bennington

Marriages Registered in the Town of Bennington for the Year ending December 31, 1926

Date and Place of marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride.	Residence of each at time of Marriage.	Age of Groom & Bride.	Place of Birth of each.	Names of Parents.	Birthplace of Parents.	Name, Residence, and Official Station of Person by whom married.
May 5	Patrick Marnell	Harrisville	29	Weaver	Lowell, Mass.	James D. Marnell	Ireland
	Margaret Howard	Gilsum	29	Weaver	Gilsum	Mary Butler	Ireland
July 8	Evan R. Day	Bennington	25	Cook	So. Royalton, Vt.	Henry W. Howard	Sullivan
	Rachel E. Hansie	Bennington	19	Waitress	Bennington	Fiora Cady	Stoddard
Nov. 17	Frank Chetwynd	Bennington	24	Trackman	Shelbourne, N. S.	Lester K. Day	Bethel, Vt.
	Nellie M. French	Bennington	18	Scale Sawyer	Bennington	Lulu Bailey	Bethel, Vt.
Dec. 21	Forest C. Lowe	Greenfield	25	Teamster	Greenfield	August Hansie	Switzerland
	Florence M. Holmes	Bennington	21	Mill Worker	Bennington	Abby Dorr	Greenville
						Jessie D. Smith	Shelbourne, N. S.
						Jerusha Chetwynd	Shelbourne, N. S.
						Albert F. French	Greenfield
						Nellie M. Smith	Walpole
						Clarence S. Lowe	Greenfield
						Edda F. Burton	Lyndeboro
						George Holmes	Stoddard
						Lottie M. Swift	Washington County, Iowa
							Charles H. Smith
							Bennington
							Justice of the Peace
							Rt. Rev. J. L. Buckley
							Manchester
							Catholic Priest
							Lester E. Alexander
							Hillsboro
							Clergyman
							F. Pearson
							Hancock
							Clergyman

Deaths Registered in the Town of Bennington for the Year ending December 31, 1926

Date of death	Name and Surname of the Deceased	Age			Place of Birth	Sex		Occupation	Place of Birth		Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	
		Years	Months	Days		S	M		Father	Mother			
			W	D									
Jan. 17	Ellen F. Harrison	67	10	9	Brattleboro, Vt.	F	W	At Home	Ireland	Ireland	Micheal Cleary	Mary Driscoll	
Feb. 11	Ella A. Knight	77	7	23	Bennington	F	M	None	Greenfield	Greenfield	John J. Whitemore	Sarah B. Whitemore	
Feb. 12	Abbie Symonds	88	2	3	Bennington	F	S	None	Hancock	Greenfield	Amos Symonds	Mary Burt	
Mar. 20	Hertert A. Eaton	67	4	22	Greenfield	M	S	Mechanic	Greenfield	Canada	Amos W. Eaton	Apophia J. Martin	
Mar. 31	Hercule Joyal	91	10	20	Greenfield	M	W	Farmer	Canada	Greenfield	Peter Joyal		
May 1	George O. Joslin	69	9	19	Greenfield	M	M	Merchant	Greenfield	Greenfield	S. O. Joslin	Betha L. Swinnington	
May 3	Lucy A. George	83	6	10	Danvers, Mass.	F	W	Housewife	Antrim	Sandwich	Hugh A. Rogers	Mary J. Thorning	
July 1	Stillborn				Bennington	F	S		Westfield, Mass.	Gaysville, Md.	George B. Curtis	Alice L. Penniman	
Sept. 18	C. Elizabeth Rogers	54	6	12	Marysville, Cal.	F	S	None	Bennington	Charlestown	Samuel S. Rogers	Harriet Balsha	
Oct. 1	Frank Lee Dickey	64	21		Bennington	M	M	Laborer	Nashua	Greenfield	Nathaniel E. Dickey	Catherine Adams	
Oct. 2	Charles P. Bartlett	69	1	16	Francestown	M	M	Painter			Daniel Bartlett	Abigail Foster	
*Oct. 11	Jane F. Keith	74	10	25		F	W						
*Oct. 23	Catherine L. Dickey	93	10	18		F	W						
*Dec. 10	William Keith	84	10	9		M	W						

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